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1. ACCORDING TO BOTH THE INFLUENTIAL MEXICAN DAILY EXCELSIOR

AND INDEPENDENT NOVEDADES, SECRETARY OF NATIONAL PATRIMONY ALEJO ON JULY 6 BEGAN A LATIN AMERICAN TOUR TO PROMOTE AND COORDINATE THE ACTIVITIES OF THE JULY 31 MEETING OF THE SISTEMA ECONOMICO LATINOAMERICANO (SELA). SCHEDULED TO LEAVE FIRST FOR HAVANA ACCOMPANIED BY CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO MEXICO LOPEZ MUINO, ALEJO, UNDER PRESIDENTIAL INSTRUCTIONS, WILL THEN CONFER WITH THE LEADERS OF VENEZUELA, BRAZIL, ARGENTINA, PERU, COLOMBIA, AND PANAMA TO CONFIRM PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS THEY HAVE HAD WITH ECHEVERRIA ON THIS MATTER.

2. ALEJO IS QUOTED BY EXCELSIOR AS COMMENTING BEFORE LEAVING THAT ALTHOUGH SOME ARE A BIT CAUTIOUS, ALMOST ALL OF THE LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES HAVE GIVEN THEIR CONSENT FOR SELA TO BEGIN FUNCTIONING THIS YEAR. ALEJO ADDED THAT SELA WOULD NOT BE A SUBSTITUTE FOR THE OAS, BUT RATHER AN ORGANIZATION TO UNIFY THE LATIN AMERICAN NATIONS IN A SOLID ECONOMIC BLOCK FOR THE DEFENSE OF THEIR EXPORTS.

3. SIMULTANEOUSLY, THREE OTHER MEXICAN DELEGATIONS WILL BE TOURING 1) THE CARIBBEAN COUNTRIES; 2) CENTRAL AMERICA; AND 3) URUGUAY, PARAGUAY, BOLIVIA, AND ECUADOR FOR THE SAME PURPOSE.

4. EMBASSY HAS CONFIRMED ABOVE INFORMATION WITH ALEJO'S OFFICE.

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